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CLEAN - UP - AND - PAINT - UP PARIS

Mayor January has designated the week of April 10 to 15 as "Clean Up Week," in compliance with the custom that has become an annual event.

"Good-by dirt! Good-by, rubbish!" will be topical song heard most in the health bureaus in seven thousand communities soon. And to speed the parting guest every American householder will have on hand the most formidable weapon—next to Mrs. Jiggs' rolling pin—the Great American Broom. Father will have a shovel and son a rake. Soon, by the alley route, many of the unwelcome visitors will be on their way. No city can be considered sanitary if any part of it is in an unhealthful condition. Health, your health, and your family's health, and your neighbor's and your neighbor's and their families' health is at stake in this campaign. So clean up and paint Paris!"

YALE ALUMNI PRESENTS PICTURE TO P. H. S.

The latest picture to be put up in the Paris High School is one of "Harkness Tower," one of the new Yale buildings. This gift came through the Kentucky Yale Alumni Association. The next to be received will be from Harvard. Mr. W. R. Blakemore, prominent Main street clothier, with the assistance of Hon. Claude M. Thomas, John M. Brennan and Stanley Dickson, all graduates of Princeton University, obtained for the school a most beautiful group and a Princeton banner. The Paris High School fully appreciates the interest in the school manifested by these University men.

KING ALCOHOL

The rendition of the dramatic cantata, "King Alcohol," at St. Paul M. E. Church, Monday night, April 10, 1922, by local talent, assisted by the Paris Mozart Orchestra, promises to be a rare treat to all music lovers and those who attend. Come and enjoy a musical treat.

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Columbia... Harriet Small
Uncle Sam... Robert Turner
Frances Willard... Louise Ayers
Orphan Girls... Willie May Letton
Catherine Mink
King Alcohol... Rev. J. E. Wood
Pianist... Johnetta Mebane

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BASE BALL

The 1922 season for the Church League will open on Tuesday, May 2, with the Methodists playing the Presbyterian team. The schedule for the season follows:

Tuesday, May 2—Methodist vs. Presbyterian; May 5—Baptist vs. Christian; May 9—Methodist vs. Christian; May 12—Presbyterian vs. Baptist; May 16—Presbyterian vs. Christian; May 19—Baptist vs. Methodist; May 23—Methodist vs. Presbyterian; May 26—Baptist vs. Christian; May 30—Presbyterian vs. Baptist; June 2—Methodist vs. Christian; June 6—Baptist vs. Presbyterian; June 9—Methodist vs. Presbyterian; June 13—Presbyterian vs. Baptist; June 16—Methodist vs. Christian; June 20—Baptist vs. Methodist; June 23—Presbyterian vs. Christian; June 27—Methodist vs. Presbyterian; June 30—Baptist vs. Christian; July 4—Baptist vs. Presbyterian; July 7—Methodist vs. Presbyterian; July 11—Methodist vs. Christian; July 14—Presbyterian vs. Baptist; July 18—Baptist vs. Methodist; July 21—Presbyterian vs. Baptist; July 25—Presbyterian vs. Christian; August 1—Methodist vs. Christian; August 4—Presbyterian vs. Baptist; August 8—Baptist vs. Methodist; August 11—Presbyterian vs. Christian; August 15—Baptist vs. Christian; August 18—Methodist vs. Presbyterian; August 22—Presbyterian vs. Christian; September 1—Baptist vs. Methodist.

The Flemingsburg Time-Democrat says: "In the Paris Bluegrass League baseball nine we find the names of four Fleming county boys, as follows: Charles M. Maxey, catcher, William Hammonds, outfielder, Clarence McCord, pitcher, all of Cowan, and R. G. Powell, catcher, of Nepton. We shall have to 'root' for Paris on account of the home boys."

One of the proudest young fellows in Paris is Arthur B. Hancock, Jr., whose team, the Paris Pirates, under the coaching of "Stiffy" Burnett, took the title of the recently organized Paris City School team by a score of 16 to 5. The teams met on Hancock field, near Paris, Tuesday, and fought a game battle, with the big end of the score going to the Pirates, who like their namesakes, boarded the ship and carried off all the plunder. Crawford, pitching for the Pirates, struck out fourteen batters, while the three pitchers on the mound for the P. H. S. team only took toll of eight. The Pirates made seven errors, and the P. H. S. team ten. The teams presented the following line-up: Pirates—Jackson, c; Horton, 1b; Alexander, 2b; Strother, ss; Adams, 3b; Brent, rf; Terry, cf; Coughlin, lf; Crawford, p. P. H. S.—Adair, c; Williams, 1b; Rourke, 2b; Tucker, ss; McCann, 3b; Paton, rf; Jacoby, cf; Larkin, lf; Christman, Welsh and Turner, p. The game was witnessed by a large crowd of interested and enthusiastic fans.

Two members of the official umpire staff who will handle the indicators for the Blue Grass League series have been appointed by President Thos. M. Russell. They are H. D. Melville, of Lexington, and Wm. C. Watkins, of Maysville. Two more will be appointed later. Melville has had experience on the big league circuit, and Watkins in intercollegiate baseball.

P. H. S. GIRL'S BASKET BALL SCHEDULE 1922.

Dec. 17—Nicholasville (there)—18-13 (Paris).
Dec. 22—Ewing (there)—45-2 (Paris).
Jan. 6—Lexington (there)—22-10 (Lexington).
Jan. 7—Nicholasville (here)—19-16 (Paris).
Jan. 13—Flemingsburg (there)—14-6 (Flemingsburg).
Jan. 14—Millersburg (here)—16-8 (Paris).
Jan. 20—Dayton (here)—23-6 (Paris).
Jan. 28—Flemingsburg (here)—9-17 (Paris).
Feb. 4—Lexington (here)—16-8 (Paris).
Feb. 25—Dayton (there)—4-2 (Dayton).
March 3—Lexington (tournament)—37-9 (Lexington).
March 17—Cynthiana (here)—13-12 (Paris).
March 24—Cynthiana (there)—12-11 (Paris).
Paris won ten and lost four. The team lined up as follows: Center—Mamie Lee Baldwin; Forwards—Ruby Hall, Elizabeth Rule; Guards—Katherine Wallingford (Capt.), Edna Rose; Substitutes—Louise Collier, Vivian Wallingford.
Miss Robbins made splendid record with Paris High School basket ball girls' team. The High School played a heavy schedule and all played a good game. Prospects for a winning team next year were never brighter.

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COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS PROTEST TAX RATE CUT

As a result of a controversy covering a period of several months concerning the advisability of reducing the county tax rate in Bourbon county from 50 cents on the \$100 to 35 cents, Messrs. Catesby Spears, Sam Clay and Sam Houston, members of the Bourbon County Road Commission, have issued the following statement which will explain the situation in this county in a manner which has possibly not been made clear to many taxpayers:

An article appeared in the Kentuckian-Citizen a few days ago appealing to the Fiscal Court of Bourbon county and to the taxpayers to reduce the county tax rate 15 cents on the \$100.

Any demand to reduce taxes will always meet with popular approval and the converse is also true, that any argument to uphold taxes will always be unpopular. But we should look upon this question not as a matter of popularity, but rather as a business.

In plain words, is it good business to reduce the tax rate in Bourbon county under existing conditions?

In the beginning, any reduction in taxes must necessarily be taken almost entirely from the road fund; the State rate of taxation upon all tangible property is 40 cents on each \$100, and this cannot be changed by the Fiscal Court. While the Fiscal Court levies the amount on the school tax for county purposes, yet the amount required is fixed by an order of the County Board of Education and the Fiscal Court has no right to reduce this amount. The special 20-cent road tax voted in the fall of 1919 cannot be changed by an order of court. The only possible change that can come is in the old 50-cent rate which has been established and paid in this county for more than 15 years.

The argument to reduce any portion of this would never be presented except for the fact that the 20-cent road tax was voted less than three years ago.

Out of this 50-cent tax all general expenses of the county are paid, such as maintaining the county infirmary, jail, court house, salaries, hospital, charities and any and all claims against the county. The balance left is used for road purposes, and, as these various general expenses are largely fixed, it necessarily follows that any reduction made must be borne by the road fund.

It is stated that material and labor are cheaper. This was anticipated three years ago when the question of bond issue was first proposed, and for this reason, the plan was adopted of using the issue over a period of five years.

The increase in valuation is also urged as a reason for the reduction. The increase in the use of our roads has been greater.

On the strength of the peoples' vote and relying on the co-operation of the Fiscal Court, the commissioners purchased for the county a large amount of road equipment for the purpose of carrying out their plans which were to extend over a period of at least five years. Up to the present time, one-half of the bond issue has been sold and expended. Should the Fiscal Court reduce the tax rate 15 cents on the \$100 they practically nullify the special road tax of 2 cents which was to take care of the bond issue.

Should the Fiscal Court undo by their vote what an overwhelming majority of the people of Bourbon county voted to do less than three years ago?

If this reduction is made and a similar reduction made next year, the available funds will not allow the present rate of construction to extend beyond the middle of 1923.

The past two years about 65 miles have been reconstructed. Two years ago only about 25 miles of road was found up to a standard to justify surface treatment and maintenance. This has been done and these 25 miles are in better condition today than they were two years ago.

By the aid of the best machinery and equipment, the work has been done with a saving of approximately 25 per cent. of what it would have cost by contract; this after due allowance has been made for depreciation in value of equipment.

If this reduction is made, by next year, the entire bond issue will be expended with less than half of the roads reconstructed, and the available revenue so small that all of it will be required for maintenance. Machinery and equipment will be idle, or have to be sold at a sacrifice.

The reduction in the tax rate of 15 cents on each \$100 is but a small saving to any individual except those whom we might term wealthy. As an illustration, the assessed value of land in Bourbon county is \$123 an acre, and a saving of 15 per cent in taxes would be about 18½ cents an acre; thus, the farmer on 100 acres of land would save \$18.50 a year, or 5 cents a day; the farmer

NEWS FROM THE COURTS

In the County Court, Tuesday, Hiram Parker, a young colored boy, was adjudged insane by a jury and ordered committed to the Eastern Kentucky Hospital for the Insane, at Lexington, where he was taken later by an attendant from the Hospital. Parker served as cook at Camp Taylor during the war, and his hallucination was that the Government is indebted to him for a large sum, and will not pay him.

Squire Paynter, a young white man, of Middletown, O., was arrested by Patrolman Robt. Lusk, as he was boarding an L. & N. passenger train at the Tenth Street L. & N. passenger station. Paynter was charged with having taken \$9 in cash from the cash drawer of Homer Rankin, a Second street grocer. He was arraigned before Police Judge Martin and sentenced to thirty days in jail.

County Judge Batterton appointed T. B. Jones as administrator of the estate of Mattie Jones, deceased. Mr. Jones qualified for the trust by furnishing bond in the sum of \$4,000, with Allen T. Current as surety.

Robert Hall and Ed. Rose, white, were presented before Judge Geo. Batterton in the County Court, on charges of unlawfully fishing in the waters of a stream within the limits of the county. Both entered pleas of guilty, and were fined \$24.50 each.

In the Police Court Frank English and Elva Turner, who were placed under arrest Sunday night by Mayor January on a charge of operating their automobiles without lights and exceeding the speed limit, were fined \$10 and costs on each charge. Later on in the course of the investigation it developed that the license tags on Turner's car had been loaned to him by a friend.

Taylor and Willis Center, twin brothers, were held to the grand jury in bonds of \$500 each by County Judge George Batterton on a charge of stealing two mules from Elijah Napier, of Tolliver, Wolfe county. In default of the necessary bond they were sent to jail. The boys were arrested by Chief of Police Link on suspicion. They were endeavoring to sell the mules to Berkeley Jacobs, a local liveryman. Napier notified the Paris authorities the theft of two mules from his place. In company with W. O. Black, of Mt. Sterling, he came to Paris and furnished complete identification of the stolen animals. During the investigation it developed that the saddles and bridles the men were using on the mules were stolen from a Shelby county farmer. The mules, saddles and bridles were restored to their proper owners.

TRUANT OFFICER'S REPORT.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Bourbon County Board of Education held in the office of County School Superintendent J. M. McVey, in the court house, Mrs. Robert Bell, County Truant Officer, reported that during the month of March she had made sixty visits to schools; had called in person on 121 families; placed 196 children in school, and, in connection with the county nurse, had furnished medical assistance to eight families and clothing and books to twelve children. The report was accepted and placed on record.

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with 200 acres would save \$37 a year, or 10 cents a day. Would this small saving justify the stoppage of the road work; the loss of the use of the equipment, and the gradual deterioration of all the unworked pikes in the county? The old saying of "a stitch in time saves nine," applies nowhere more accurately than it does to a road.

Is it fair to those who live on roads that have not been reconstructed to adopt the policy, which will mean that a number of the roads will never be reached. If this reduction is made, should the commission sell the remaining part of the bonds, thus placing a heavy burden on the future years when we are unwilling to pay our fair portion of the burden?

With the coming of the automobiles and trucks, good roads are not only a good investment, but an absolute necessity. There are now more than 800 automobiles and trucks in Bourbon county.

Think of the indirect tax of bad roads; the trouble of getting our children to school; the increased cost of transportation; the wear and tear and depreciation of our machines; the poor mileage of tires and extra gasoline used. Does the situation justify this reduction? You cannot have good roads without paying for them.
BOURBON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION.

INDEPENDENT TOBACCO MEN MOVE TO POOL

A number of prominent independent holders of old tobacco in hogheads throughout Kentucky have launched a movement to pool this class of tobacco, with the view of putting a stop to dumping it on the auction market, while there is such little demand for it, and to hold it until it can be sold at what is considered a fair price to the owners.

With this end in view all holders of old hoghead tobacco have been invited to attend a meeting at the Lafayette Hotel, in Lexington, next Monday at 10:30 o'clock, to take some steps to arrange for the pooling and marketing of this tobacco.

While the promoters of the movement, among whom are Louisville, Maysville and Flemingsburg tobacco men, have not perfected their plans, it is said to be their intention to discuss the situation, appoint a committee to take charge of the sales of this tobacco after it is pooled, so that there will be only one selling agent to offer for sale the grades that are wanted.

The call for the Lexington meeting next Monday is signed by Hardyman & Malone and Charley Newman, Maysville; Mark Hendrix and W. W. Ross, Flemingsburg; Rhodes & Grannis, Ewing.

PRISONER TAKES "FRENCH LEAVE"

Wesley Sapp, a young white boy, who had been convicted at the March term of Bourbon Circuit Court and sentenced to a jail sentence for having moonshine whisky in his possession, made his escape from the jail yesterday morning. Sapp had been employed at work on the outside for several days, and yesterday morning while left alone for a few moments, made his escape. Officers are making a search for him, and it is thought his recapture will be effected soon.

BIRTHS

—Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Watkins are the proud parents of a baby daughter, born at their home on Scott avenue. The little girl has been named Margie Kenney Watson. Mrs. Watson was before her marriage Miss Mabel Neal, of Mt. Olivet.

PLANS FOR COUNTRY CLUB UNDER WAY

At a meeting of subscribers to the Country Club project, held at the court house, Monday night, about \$10,000 in pledges and subscriptions was taken. It was decided that the sum of \$15,000 would be necessary for financing the project. A committee composed of Withers Davis, James M. Caldwell and Clarence K. Thomas was appointed to conduct a campaign for the purpose of raising the additional \$5,000.

The report of the organization committee, composed of Tom Holt, Jas. G. Metcalfe and Oscar F. Hinton, was adopted. John F. Davis and Ayelette Buckner were named a nominating committee to nominate eighteen men for the directorate. Nine directors will be elected at a meeting to be held on next Monday night, April 10, at 7:30 o'clock. Ballots have been prepared and are being mailed to each subscriber to the fund. The organization will be perfected at this meeting, and all subscribers are asked to be present in person or to send a proxy in order to have a vote in the selection of the directors.

LODGE NOTES

At the meeting of Bourbon Lodge, I. O. O. F., Monday night the Initiatory Degree was conferred on Melvin R. Hornback, and the Third Degree on Jesse Parker.

At the regular meeting of Rathbone Lodge, K. of P., last night the First and Second Ranks were conferred on Sandie Rudder and J. C. Fightmaster. Both are in the blacksmithing business and ought to become "strong men" in the order.

NEW HOUSE FOR SALE

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